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TOPIC Information on KVP Units in the Altwarp Area			
EVALUATION		PLACE OBTAINED	
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REMARKS			

1. On 9 and 10 September 1953, the S-5 Kommando left Altwarp for an undetermined location. The unit, elements of which were loaded in Eggesin, carried along its motor vehicles. However, no heavy arms were observed. 25X1
2. Between 7 and 12 September, the S-6 Kommando left the former ODD Camp near Altwarp. The unit took along its mortars [redacted] On 12 September, about 1,200 men carrying field equipment were entrained at the Eggesin railroad station. Motor vehicles [redacted] but no heavy weapons were seen. Source learned from the deputy chief of the Construction Department, Lieutenant Colonel Max Koehler, that the unit had moved to East Berlin and to the Leipzig-Dresden area for special training. 2 25X1
3. On 10 September, Block U 5 of installation X in Altwarp was occupied by a special unit of Division Weiss. The special unit, which conducted driving school practices, was to stay in Altwarp for about six weeks. The soldiers of the special unit belonged to the three cadre regiments of the division commanded by Majors Stechbarth (fmu), Franke (fmu) and Ernst Kirchner respectively. 3 25X1
4. In late September, the S-6 Kommando returned from East Berlin to Karpin, where it was quartered in Section A of the barracks installation. Source learned from Captain Salchow (fmu), a supply officer, that this section quartered an engineer battalion from Spechtberg besides the S-6 unit. 2 The S-5 Kommando except for about 100 men returned from Berlin in early October. The unit occupied all permanent buildings which had been completed by then. Source learned that Major Boerner (fmu), the commanding officer of the S-5 Kommando, was to be transferred to an officer school as instructor. Captain Chavat (fmu), previously chief of staff of the unit, had been replaced by an unidentified captain. Acting commanding officer of the Kommando was Captain Zimmermann (fmu), political officer Captain Schaedlich (fmu), and supply officer Captain Knuth (fmu). In early October, the Kommando conducted close-order drill, field training and political indoctrination. 1 25X1
5. The ODD Camp previously occupied by the S-6 Kommando was unoccupied. It was believed that all ODD camps except for those occupied by construction workers were to be dismantled and set up again at other points. A portion of the temporary buildings of the Droegerheide Camp had already been dismantled and dispatched by train, allegedly to the Wismar area.

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1. [redacted] Comment. These data were supplemented and partly confirmed [redacted]
[redacted] 25X1.
2. [redacted] Comment. The transfer of the mortar regiment to Karpin was also reported
[redacted] There is a possibility that elements
of the regiments were handed over to other KVP units in the southern portion of
East Germany.
3. [redacted] Comment. [redacted] the driving school of the Mechanized
Bereitschaft Eggesin moved to Altwarp. [redacted]

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